Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 11 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 12 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 10 Feb 2021 at 14:27 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for remaining cold Thursday and Friday with limited snow showers in north and east. Confidence lowering for detail of timing and extent for longer periods of snow from Saturday, also the progress of milder weather Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Thursday 11 Feb 2021: Mainly dry, bright, but very cold with winds and drifting increasing.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 11 Feb 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	<05%	<05%	10%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 11 Feb 2021

Weather: Dry and clear overnight with a widespread deep frost extending to the vast majority. A dry and bright day, however very cold with few lower parts lifting above freezing, also with winds strengthening lying snow will increasingly drift. Isolated snow showers beginning to feed from the east late afternoon and evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Almost 100%, lowering 80% during the evening.

Visibility: Generally excellent or very good but poor or very poor in drifting, also in later snow showers and where bases lower over hills in and around these showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	16/20 SE	14/18 SE	15/18 SE	17/20 SE	19/24 SE	22/27 SE	26/32 SE	30/37 SE	34/44 SE
900	10/13 SE	8/11 SE	7/10 SE	9/11 SE	12/16 SE	12/16 SE	20/25 SE	22/29 SE	28/37 SE
600	4/6 NW	6/7 W	5/7 S	4/7 SE	5/8 SE	7/10 SE	7/11 SE	9/13 S	12/19 SE
300	2/4 SE	2/4 W	3/4 SW	3/5 E	1/4 NE	2/6 E	4/8 SE	5/10 SE	6/11 E
Glen	2/6 E	2/5 SE	2/5 S	3/6 SE	2/6 E	3/7 NE	3/7 E	3/9 E	4/11 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-12/-21	-13/-21	-13/-21	-12/-21	-10/-19	-10/-20	-12/-24	-12/-23	-10/-22
900	-8/-15	-9/-15	-9/-15	-9/-15	-7/-13	-7/-14	-9/-18	-8/-18	-8/-17
600	-8/-12	-8/-13	-9/-13	-8/-12	-5/-8	-5/-9	-8/-12	-7/-12	-6/-12
300	-14/-17	-14/-18	-14/-19	-13/-17	-4/-6	-2/-4	-8/-12	-8/-12	-8/-12
Glen	-9/-17	-9/-16	-11/-20	-9/-17	-2/-5	-1/-3	-6/-9	-5/-9	-5/-9
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Severe wind chill and drifting difficulties anticipated.

Forecast for Friday 12 Feb 2021

Weather: Very cold again. A mix of sunshine and snow showers for Friday, with outbreaks ranging from isolated towards Ben Alder and scattered around the Lecht. Strong summit winds bringing severe wind chill and drifting.

Maximum wind: Southeast mean 35-40mph with gusts reaching 55mph across most exposed ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: For northeastern ranges 70%, in southwest 90%.

Visibility: Generally excellent or very good but poor or very poor in drifting, also in snow showers and where bases lower over hills in and around these showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 9 Celsius peaking at plus 1 Celsius during afternoon
At 800m: Minus 5-7 Celsius
Freezing level: All levels

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